

## **Sleepy Hollow Police Department**

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## School's Open – Drive Carefully

The Sleepy Hollow Police Department is urging parents to teach their children some simple safety tips before they head back to school next week.

Very soon, thousands of children will be walking to and from schools and school buses – many for the first time. Everyone who drives has a responsibility to be especially careful during this busy time for youngsters.

Hundreds of young children are killed each year in collisions with motor vehicles, and thousands more are severely injured. Children tend to be at greater risk during the back-to-school period because they tend to be thinking more about seeing old friends and new teachers rather than watching for cars and trucks. Others are going to school for the first time.

PLEASE...To help protect children, as Chief of Police for the Village of Sleepy Hollow, I offer these six important pedestrian-safety tips that are from the AAA New York, the local AAA affiliate:

- Look all ways before crossing the street.
- Cross only at corners.
- Obey police officers, school crossing guards, members of safety patrols and the traffic signals and traffic lights.
- Watch for turning cars and trucks.
- Be especially alert in bad weather.
- Play away from traffic.

Be safe, keep your children safe and above all drive carefully.

Sincerely,
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Chief of Police